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PATENT APPLICATION Docket No: 15499.174.1

DECLARATION, POWER OF ATTORNEY, AND PETITION

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declare: that our citizenship, residence address, and post office address are as set forth above; that we verily believe we are the original, first, and joint inventors of the subject matter of the invention or discovery entitled FLEXURE RESISTANT BASE PLATE FOR A BASKETBALAL GOAL ASSEMBLY, for which a patent is sought and which is described and claimed in United States Patent Application Serial No. 10/051,454, which was filed on January 18, 2002; that we have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, and that we acknowledge the duty to disclose information which is material to the patentability of this application in accordance with Section 1.56(a) of Title 37 of the Code of Fedoral Regulations.

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We declare further that all statements made herein of our own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and bolief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful, false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code, and that such willful, false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon. We declare and attest that we are signing this declaration on behalf of ourselves and on behalf of Charles Monsen, our co-inventor, whose current whereabouts are unknown.

We hereby appoint as our attorneys and/or patent agents all attorneys and/or patent agents listed under the following Customer Number, with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith:



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Wherefore, we pray that Letters Patent be granted to us for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the foregoing specification and claims, declaration, power of attorney, and this petition.

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DATED this 19th day of September 2002.

Inventor: Carl R. Stanford

DATED this 19th day of September 2002.

Inventor:

David C Winter

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Charles Monsen

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Declaration of Jolene B. Goff to Support Petition Under 37 CFR 1.147(a)

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Dear Sir:

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- I, Jolene B. Goff, hereby declare:
- 1. I am employed at Lifetime Products, Inc. As one of my duties, I arrange to have inventors review and execute patent-related papers. I assumed this responsibility from Barbara Keyt.
- 2. I believe Charles Monsen is a joint inventor of the above-identified patent application. His inventive contribution occurred while he was an employee of Lifetime Products, Inc. He is no longer employed at Lifetime Products, Inc.
 - 3. The last known address of Mr. Monsen is:



Charles Monsen 322 North 200 West Brigham City, Utah 84302

- 4. Mr. Monsen's last known cell phone number (435-730-0885) may be current, but my last five attempts to telephone Mr. Monsen, on March 9, 14, 16, 19, and 21, 2002 were unsuccessful. He has not responded to voice messages left on March 16 and March 21.
 - 5. I believe Mr. Monsen is unavailable and cannot be found.
- 6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated this 10 day of April, 2002

Joleny B. Goff

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- 1. CRUMPTON, CHARLES W (MALE), 12202 N LAKESHORE DR APT 8, LAKE _ STEVENS, WA 98258-9186, 1954, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- Γ 2. CRUMPTON, CHARLES W. 12202 LAKESHORE DRIVE APT. 8, LAKE STEVENS, WA 98258, P-TRAK
- Γ-3. E MONSEN, CHARLES, 122-34-4192, 11/5/1944, SOCIAL SECURITY ADMINISTRATION DEATH MASTER FILE
- 4. FERRANTI, CHARLES F (MALE), 33 MONSEN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742-1924, Г 1930, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 5. FERRANTI, CHARLES F (MALE), 33 MONSEN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742-1924, 1930, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 6. FERRANTI, CHARLES F, 33 MONSEN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742, 6/1930, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 7. FERRANTI, CHARLES F (MALE), 33 MONSEN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742-1924, Г 6/1930, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND
- Γ 8. FERRANTI, CHARLES F, 33 MONSEN ROAD, CONCORD, MA 01742, P-TRAK
- 9. FERRANTI, CHARLES F, 33 MONSEN ROAD, CONCORD, MA 01742, P-TRAK
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- 11. FERRANTI, CHARLES F, 33 MONSEN RD, CONCORD, MA 01742-1924, PERSON Г LOCATOR - USFIND
- 12. HJEMDAHL-MONSEN, STEIN J, 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701. PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 13. HJEMDAHL-MONSEN, STEIN (MALE), 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701-7808, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 14. HJEMDAHL, MONSEN ERIK, 155 KENVILLE ROAD APT. C, BUFFALO, NY 14215, 12/1976, P-TRAK
- Г 15. HJEMDAHL, MONSEN CAROL, POB 2055, JAMESTOWN, NY 14702, P-TRAK
- Γ 16. HJEMDAHLMONSEN, ERIK J. 155 KENVILLE ROAD APT. C, BUFFALO, NY 14215, 12/1976, P-TRAK
- 17. HJEMDAHLMONSEN, STEIN J, POB 657, JAMESTOWN, NY 14702, 3/1947, P-TRAK Γ
- 18. HJEMDAHL-MONSEN, E.J. 410 CHARLES ST. JAMESTOWN, NY 14701-7808, Γ. PERSON LOCATOR - USPAGE
- 19. <u>HJEMDHAL-MONSEN, ERIK, 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701, PERSON</u> LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 20. HJEMDHAL, MONSEN ERIK, 155 KENVILLE ROAD APT. C. BUFFALO, NY 14215, · [12/1976, P-TRAK

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- 23. MOMSEN, CHARLES B III, 101 ROSIE CT, STEPHENS CITY, VA 22655, 5/1952, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 24. MONSEN, ANN M (FEMALE), PO BOX 549, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440-0549, 1950, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 25. MONSEN, ANNIE, 3519 COUNTY RD 14, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440, PERSON LOCATOR - USPAGE
- 26. MONSEN, CHARLES B (MALE), PO BOX 549, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440-0549, 1941, Г PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 27. MONSEN, CHARLES INGRAM (MALE), 2360 BRAUN DR, GOLDEN, CO 80401-2138, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 28. MONSEN, CHAS (MALE), 20551 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437-4108, Γ: PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 29. MONSEN, CHARLES H (MALE), 205 BONNY KNOLL RD, ROSEVILLE, CA 95678-3322, 1948, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 30. MONSEN, CHARLES E, 294 COLONY ST, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430, 9/1956, PERSON \Box LOCATOR - P-SRCH

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- 32. MONSEN, CHARLES K, 322 N 200 W, BRIGHAM CITY, UT 84302, 7/1962, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 33. MONSEN, CHARLES B, PO BOX 549, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440, 5/1941, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 34. MONSEN, CHARLES H, 205 BONNY KNOLL RD, ROSEVILLE, CA 95678, 1/1948, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- Γ. 35, MONSEN, CHARLES, 8 PACE DR S, WEST ISLIP, NY 11795-5100, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 36. MONSEN, CHARLES (MALE), 8 PACE DR S, WEST ISLIP, NY 11795-5100, PERSON \Box LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 37. MONSEN, CHARLES (MALE), 2010 N FLORIDA AVE APT 224, TAMPA, FL 33602- Γ 2204, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 38. MONSEN, CHARLES E, 2614 APRIL RUN CT, HUMBLE, TX 77345-1856, PERSON Γ LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 39. MONSEN, CHARLES B (MALE), 3519 COUNTY RD 14, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440-0000, 5/1941, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND
- 40. MONSEN, CHARLES (MALE), 5048 BUENA VISTA AVE, FAIR OAKS, CA 95628- \Box 5264, PERSON LOCATOR - P-FIND

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- 41. MONSEN, CHARLES H, 205 BONNY KNOLL ROAD, ROSEVILLE, CA 95678, 1/1948, P-TRAK
- 42. MONSEN, CHARLES E, 7040 COLONIAL ROAD, BROOKLYN, NY 11209, P-TRAK Г
- 43. MONSEN, CAROL A, 410 CHARLES STREET, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701, P-TRAK
- 44. MONSEN, CHARLES K, 322 200 W, BRIGHAM CITY, UT 84302, P-TRAK
 - Γ 45. MONSEN, CHARLES B, POB 14, FAIRPLAY, CO 80440, P-TRAK
 - 46. MONSEN, CHARLES K, 120 700, BRIGHAM CITY, UT 84302-1440, 7/1962, P-TRAK
 - 47. MONSEN, CHARLES K, 120 700, BRIGHAM CITY, UT 84302-1440, 7/1962, P- Γ TRAK
 - 48. MONSEN, CHARLES, 2727 BENS BRANCH DR 2309, HUMBLE, TX 77339-3737, Г PERSON LOCATOR - USPAGE
 - 49. MONSEN, CHARLES, 294 COLONY ST, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430-5206, PERSON \Box LOCATOR - USFIND
 - 50. MONSEN, CHARLES, 13 OAK LANE RD, COLUMBIA, NJ 07832-2644, PERSON **LOCATOR - USFIND**

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- 51. MONSEN, DAVID CHARLES (MALE), 83 EMERALD AVE, WESTMONT, NJ 08108-Г 2340, 1919, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 52. MONSEN, ERIK J (MALE), 155 KENVILLE RD APT C, BUFFALO, NY 14215-2466, 1977 PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 53. MONSEN, ELIZABETH (FEMALE), 294 COLONY ST, FAIRFIELD, CT 06430-5206, Г 1965, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 54. MONSEN, ERIC B, 38W594 HILLTOP DR, SAINT CHARLES, IL 60175, 11/1965, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 55. MONSEN, ERIC B, 436 FAIRFIELD AVENUE, ELMHURST, IL 60126-3810, P-TRAK Г
- 56. MONSEN, EARLE CHARLES, 1407 ESTATE LANE, GLENVIEW, IL 60025-1519, P-Γ TRAK
- Г 57. MONSEN, EARLE C, 16380 KELLY COVE DRIVE, FORT MYERS, FL 33908, P-TRAK
- 58. MONSEN, ERIK J, 410 CHARLES STREET, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701, 12/1976, P-厂 TRAK
- 59. MONSEN, ERIK, 155 KENVILLE ROAD APT. C. BUFFALO, NY 14215, 12/1976, P-
- 60. MONSEN, ERIC B, 436 FAIRFIELD AVENUE, ELMHURST, IL 60126-3810, 9/1966, Γ.

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- 61. MONSEN, EARLE CHARLES, 1407 ESTATE LANE, GLENVIEW, IL 60025-1519, P-Г TRAK
- 62. MONSEN, JENNIE L (FEMALE), PO BOX 221, CORINNE, UT 84307-0221, 1972, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 63. MONSEN, LISA MELANIE (FEMALE), 2360 JEFFERSON AVE APT 1, OGDEN, UT Γ 84401-1629, 1971, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 64. MONSEN, LISA A, 38W594 HILLTOP DR, SAINT CHARLES, IL 60175, 9/1962, Γ. PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 65. MONSEN, LISA A, 38W594 HILLTOP DR, SAINT CHARLES, IL 60175, PERSON Г LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 66. MONSEN, LISA A, 38W594 HILLTOP DRIVE, SAINT CHARLES, IL 60175-6015, P-TRAK
- 67. MONSEN, LISA A, 18040 370TH STREET, FOREST CITY, IA 50436, 8/1963, P. Γ..; TRAK
- 68. MONSEN, LISA A, 38W594 HILLTOP DRIVE, SAINT CHARLES, IL 60175-6015, P-
- 69. MONSEN, MAYNARD (MALE), 602 S CHARLES ST, WESTFIELD, WI 53964-9152, \Box PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 70. MONSEN, STEIN J (MALE), 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701-7808, \Box 1947, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK

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- 71. MONSEN, STEIN H, 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701, 3/1947, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 72. MONSEN, STEIN H, 410 CHARLES STREET, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701, 3/1947, P-TRAK
- 73. MONSEN, STEIN H, 410 CHARLES ST, JAMESTOWN, NY 14701-7808, PERSON LOCATOR - USFIND
- 74. PETERSON, MICHAEL CHARLES (MALE), 20700 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437-4114, 1953, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 75. POLGAR, REBECCA S. 85 GATES STREET, CRYSTAL LAKE, IL 60014-4356, P- Γ TRAK
- 76. RICHARDS, JANET L (FEMALE), 20551 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437-4108, 1953, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 77. ROACH, CHARLES L (MALE), 20551 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437-Г 4108, 1953, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK
- 78. ROACH, CHARLES L, 20551 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437, 1/1953, Г PERSON LOCATOR - P-SRCH
- 79. ROACH, CHARLES L, 20551 MONSEN WAY, FORT BRAGG, CA 95437, P-TRAK
- Γ 80. ROGAL, CHARLES R, 18 HIGH STREET, MELROSE, MA 02176, P-TRAK

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81. ROWE, GLORIA MONSEN (FEMALE), 2349 S BUENOS AIRES DR. COVINA, CA 91724-3954, 1926, PERSON LOCATOR - P-SEEK

1 82. USHER, LISA A, 18040 370TH STREET, FOREST CITY, IA 50436, 8/1963, P-TRAK

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<u>Petition Under 37 CFR 1.147(a)</u>

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

I, Barbara Kcyt, hereby declare:

- 1. I am employed by Lifetime Products, Inc. As one of my former duties, I arranged to have inventors review and execute patent-related papers.
- 2. I believe Charles Monson is a joint inventor of the above-identified patent application. His inventive contribution occurred while he was an employee of Lifetime Products, Inc. He is no longer employed at Lifetime Products, Inc. In December 2001, I successfully spoke with Mr. Monson and obtained his commitment to review and execute the documents related to this patent application. He has not done so.



- 3. On January 15, 2002, I telephoned Mr. Monson at his last known cell phone number (435-730-0885) and left a voice message regarding the need to review and execute the documents related to this patent application.
 - 4. The last known address of Mr. Monson is:

Charles Monsen
322 North 200 West
Brigham City, Utah 84302

- 5. On January 16, 2002, I mailed a certified letter to the last known address of Mr. Monson. It was returned as undeliverable. A copy of this letter is attached.
 - 6. I believe Mr. Monsen is unavailable and cannot be found.
- 7. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated this 10 day of April, 2002

Barbara Keyt

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<u>Declaration of Richard C. Gilmore to Support</u> <u>Reconsideration of Petition Under 37CFR 1.47(a)</u>

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Dear Sir:

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I, Richard C. Gilmore, hereby declare:

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- I am a Registered Patent Attorney at the law offices of Workman, Nydegger &
 Seeley.
- 2. Workman, Nydegger & Sceley are the attorneys of record for the abovereferenced application, which is assigned to Lifetime Products, Inc.
- 3. On September 5, 2002, an internet search using the Lexis® EZFIND Combined Person Locator was conducted in an attempt to locate joint inventor Charles K. Monsen. The search identified two possible addresses for Mr. Monsen, including 322 North 200 West, Brigham City, UT 84302. As set forth in the Declarations of Ms. Barbara Keyl and Ms. Jolene Goff, which were previously filed on April 11, 2002, Mr. Monsen no longer lives at this address and the U.S. Postal Service was unable to forward correspondence to

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Mr. Monsen. The internet search also listed the address of 120 700, Brigham City, UT 84302 as a possible address for Mr. Monsen. I directed Tyson Sharp, a Workman, Nydegger & Seeley employee, to go to the address and attempt to find Mr. Monsen.

- 4. Mr. Sharp informed me that he spoke with the individual currently living at that address, that that individual stated that Mr. Monsen no longer lived there and that Mr. Monsen left no forwarding address. Accordingly, I believe that Mr. Charles Monsen no longer lives at that address and that no forwarding address is available.
- 5. I believe that Mr. Monsen is unavailable and cannot be found.
- 6. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Dated this 23 day of September, 2002

Prichal C. Oilmore

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Declaration of Tyson T. Sharp to Support Reconsideration of Petition Under 37CFR 1.47(a)

Assistant Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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Dear Sir:

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- I, Tyson T. Sharp, hereby declare:
- 1. I am employed at the law offices of Workman, Nydegger & Seeley. As one of my duties, I was sent by Richard C. Gilmore, Esq., a shareholder of Workman, Nydegger & Seeley, based on an internet search done on Lexis® EZFIND Combined Person Locator, to determine whether Mr. Charles K. Monsen, co-inventor of the above-referenced application, could be located.
- 2. I believe Workman, Nydegger & Scoley are the attorneys of record for the above referenced application.
- 3. On September 5, 2002, I traveled to 120 W. 700 N., Brigham City, UT 84302, which was the last address available from the Lexis internet search for Charles Monsen. I talked with the gentleman currently living at that address who indicated that, while Mr.

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Monsen did live at that address in the past, he no longer lived there. He had no forwarding address, nor knew of anyone else who might know the whereabouts of Mr. Monsen.

- 4. I believe that Mr. Monsen is unavailable and cannot be found.
- 5. I hereby delclare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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